

## Council Report

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Stephen Johnson, City Managel

Date: April 23, 2013

Re: Appointment of Cameus Jacob to a Four Year Term on the

**North Miami Housing Authority** 

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, APPOINTING CAMEUS JACOB TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI HOUSING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES

#### REQUEST

That the Mayor and Council adopt the proposed resolution appointing Cameus Jacob to the City's Housing Authority as required by Section 421.05 of the Florida Statutes.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In July 2002, the Mayor and Council of the City of North Miami established the Housing Authority of the City of North Miami (HACNM "Authority") by virtue of Resolution number R2002-49. For almost eleven (11) years, the Authority has been dormant since a board was not formally established consistent with the Florida Statutes.

The Authority is governed by Florida Statues, Chapter 421 which provides for the appointment of the five commissioners by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. In accordance with the Statute, three of the commissioners who are first appointed shall be designated to serve for terms of 1, 2, and 3 years respectively; the remaining commissioners shall be designated to serve for terms of 4 years each.

Cameus Jacob's appointment to the Authority will be for a term of Four (4) years beginning on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013.

The Authority will serve as the entity that provides innovative solutions to redevelopment and repair of deteriorated housing within the City. In addition, the Authority will leverage the City's resources to solicit and obtain partnerships, both private and public, to develop alternative approaches to serve tenants and homebuyers within the community.



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#### **CONCLUSION**

More and more Housing Authorities are being creative and innovative in their quest to reduce homelessness as well as to provide homeownership opportunities within the communities they serve. As such, staff is requesting that the Mayor and Council approve the attached resolution appointing the named individual as a commissioner of the Housing Authority of the City of North Miami.

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WHEREAS, pursuant to chapter 421, Florida Statutes, Article II of the City Charter and Resolution 2002-49, (Exhibit "A"), the City of North Miami Mayor and Council created a Housing Authority to address the lack of adequate and affordable housing in the city; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 421.05(1), Florida Statutes, the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council desire to appoint Cameus Jacob as a member of the Housing Authority Commission for a four (4) year term until April 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, this resolution shall serve as a certificate of appointment to be filed with the clerk pursuant to section 421.05(1), Florida Statutes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

- Section 1. Recitals. The recitals in the whereas clauses are true and correct, and incorporated into this Resolution.
- Section 2. Appointment. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby appoint Cameus Jacob as a member of the City of North Miami Housing Authority Commission for a four (4) year term.
- <u>Section 3.</u> <u>Powers.</u> Commissioner Jacob shall serve until a successor is duly appointed and is empowered to perform the duties as a commissioner vested under Chapter 421, Florida Statutes.
- Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a	vote of the Mayor and City Council of
the City of North Miami, Florida, this	_ day of April 2013.

	ANDRE D. PIERRE, ESQ. MAYOR
ATTEST:	
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MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ. CITY CLERK	
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:	
REGINE M. MONESTIME CITY ATTORNEY SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION	
	Moved by:
	Seconded by:
Vote:	
Mayor Andre D. Pierre, Esq.  Vice Mayor Marie Erlande Steril  Councilperson Michael R. Blynn, Esq.  Councilperson Scott Galvin	(Yes)(No)(Yes)(No)(Yes)(No)(Yes)(No)
Councilperson Jean R. Marcellus	(Yes) (No)

### CARMEUS JACOB 321-506-1810

#### **Professional Experience:**

1988-Present : Broker/President of Jacob Realty a Real Estate Company

1986-1988 : Broker/Co-founder of Say Realty a Real Estate Company

1985-1986 : Real Estate Associate with North Eastern Realty

1983-1985 : Real Estate Associate with Century-21

1974-1983 : Assistant Manager at Pantry Pride Super Market

1974-1974 : Bag Boy at Pantry Pride Super Market

1969-1972 : Sea man between Haiti and Nassau, Bahamas

1960-1969 : Sea man between La Tortue and Port de Paix (Main Land)

#### **Education:**

1994-1995 : Licensed in Securities, Health and Life Insurance and also

licensed as a Certified Stock Trader

1992 : Graduated from the Real Estate Institute (GRI)

and Certified Residential Specialist (CRS)

1990-1990 : Licensed from Gold Coast School as a Mortgage Broker

1986-1986 : Licensed from Gold Coast School as a Real Estate Broker

1982-1983 : Licensed from Bert Rogers School as a Real Estate Agent

1974-1979 : Graduated from Miami Dorsey Skills Center High School

1973-1974 : Lyndsay Hopkins School - English Language Basics

#### **Recognitions for Charities and Human Services**

- ❖ Volunteering at the customs borders (CHROME) for facilitating the INS's release of his Haitian brothers and sisters arriving in the US without proper documentation.
- Sunday School teacher at Parkway Baptist Church in Miami for over 8 years.
- ❖ Deacon and Member of the Functioning Committee of Parkway Baptist Church
- ❖ Founding member/Treasurer of Center For Haitian Studies (CHS) in Miami. A non-profit organization aiming, among other services, to help the underserved battling AIDS.
- ❖ Founder/CEO of The Jacobs Family Foundation, Inc. with one school "La Fondation CAJ" opened since 2005 in La Tortue, Haiti to accommodate hundreds of underprivileged kids.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2002-49

# A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA CREATING A HOUSING AUTHORITY IN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 421.04, Florida Statutes, and Article II, Section 9(11) of the City Charter of the City of North Miami, the Mayor and City Council, as the governing body of the City, is duly authorized to create a Housing Authority upon the finding of specified criteria relating to housing needs in the City; and

WHEREAS, as the statutory requirements have been found to exist in the City to support the creation of the Authority, the Mayor and City Council desire to assist the citizens of the City and the County by establishing the Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That Mayor and City Council find that:

- (a) There are unsanitary and unsafe dwelling accommodations in the City; and
- (b) There is a shortage of safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations in the City which are available to persons of low income at rental amounts they can afford.

Section 2. That based on the above findings, the Mayor and City Council create, pursuant to Chapter 421, Florida Statutes, a Housing Authority in the City of North Miami, and that all requirements of law be followed in the establishment of the Board and Administration of the Authority. The name of the Authority shall be the Housing Authority of the City of North Miami (HACNM).

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PASSED and ADOPTED by a _ 4-	o_vote of the Mayor and City Council his _ 9 _ day of
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ATTEST:	
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CITY CLERK	

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY